



UNYBCA MEETING minutes DATE: 1/10/2024

Call To Order: @ 7 PM

Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks:

Director John DeFiore thanked those present for coming out and said he hoped everyone had a good Christmas and a good New Years. He asked how many stayed up to watch the ball drop.

Minutes Approval:

Minutes from December 13, 2023 meeting were not available.

The Secretary had sent out first draft but there were edits which have not yet been made. Approval of December meeting minutes will be postponed until February meeting.

Announcements:

Colleen De Michelle was mentioned at the last meeting. She passed away in late December. The Club has offered condolences to her husband, John and her family and many friends. May she rest in peace. We will hear committee reports, at the end of which the Director will ask for one motion to approve all the standing committee reports after they are given. Comments and questions should still be asked while the report is being discussed.

Membership Report:

Per Chris Timber, as of today's date, we have a total of 35 members, of which 20 are BCA (57%) and 15 are MAL (43%).

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer absent; no report.

Website Report:

Tom Proulx described numerous frustrations in getting information and any kind of support from various sources so that he can appropriately use the Wordpress software. Glen Taunton offered assistance from his IT guy.

Facebook Report:

Simone Z. absent; no report.

Newsletter Report:

Lynda Baum-Jakubiak reported that the December newsletter went out December 24 and contained many submissions from members. The Newsletter goes out quarterly; next issue will be in March 2024. Everyone is encouraged to make submissions of items of interest and not limited strictly to cars.

Motion to approve committee reports:

By Dave McConell 2nd by Tom Proulx. Approved unanimously.

Current Club Business:

Club merchandise status: Ed Allmond has not heard from TSS regarding artwork and merchandise options. Once again, Glen Taunton advised that his son has this kind of business and can probably be very competitive, especially for small orders.

Possible National Meet:

Report by John DeFiore

☐ Spoke to Marck Barker, heard of the National Meet Committee. He advised no one has bid on 2026, yet but he understood that one of the California Chapters is working on a bid. Since the current year meet is in Ohio, and next year's meet is in Charlotte NC, the preference would be a west coast meet in 2026. However, with no bids on the table yet, we could still shoot for 2026.

☐ 2027 actually looks like a better slot for us though. With 2024 and 2025 within the reach of the East Coast, a one year delay could result in more enthusiasm for an East Coast Meet.

☐ We received a copy of the Bid that the Spokane Chapter submitted for the 2023 Meet. That bid points out much of what has to be incorporated into a Meet. Things like preferred hotels, with # of rooms, meeting spaces, banquet space, tours, activities and judging. What is not 100% clear is how all this is funded. The existence of a budget for the National Meet Committee seems to indicate that there is little risk to the chapter. The down side is that the profits of the meet would be split 50/50 between sponsoring chapter and BCA national. Any chapters who assist with the meet would receive a portion of

the sponsoring chapter's share of profits.

□ It is also unclear what the profit from the 2023 meet was. The club projected a 14K profit overall. Until the meet results are published, we will not know if that was a good number or not. I think we have time to begin working on a proposal while awaiting the results of that meet to see how they did.

□ To get us started I would like to discuss when the meet should be held. Common sense says it cannot be during the Saratoga Race Track season. That does leave Spring, early summer, and early Fall. Thoughts?

□ For the next meeting I hope to have a document which indicates what is required for hosting a National Meet.

□ Questions/ comments?

There was much discussion about the amount of work involved, the lack of details of what has to be done and exactly what National would do to "earn" its 50% of profits. Reportedly the host chapter would not have to absorb any loss. Dave McConnell stated that AACA estimates a turnout of 400 cars for its 2024 meet. Registration for the 2024 national meet will be \$45 per person plus \$50 to register a car. Spectators are free. This will be an ongoing discussion pending obtaining more details about what is involved.

CITS: 15. The question was put: Should we do anything special for 15 years of CITS. Suggestions: medallion, hat pin, cake.

Future Club Business:

Welcome back Dinner /Meeting for March. Chris Timber inquired as to whether this was an annual event, or a year-by-year. Director DeFiore said it is year-by-year and is a budgeted item. No specific vote was taken as to whether or not to have the Club pay for member dinners. Ms. Timber moved that the topic be tabled until the February meeting. 2nd by Tony D'Amelio. Unanimously approved.

Upcoming Car Events:

-St Patrick's Day Parade, March 16th, contact Ed Allmond.

-Caddy Club Vermont Overnight trip: Car meet sponsored by Waterbury VT club at Shelburne VT. Meet is 8/9-11. It is a judged show; \$35 preregistration, \$5 day of show.

Proceeds will fund scholarships for automotive trades. There will be a flea market, parade, and fashion show. Caddy club is planning an overnight for 8/10.

Open Floor:

Adjournment: 8:09 PM

Respectfully presented by Christine Timber o/b/o the Secretary

Items to be carried over to next meeting:

Approval of December 13, 2023 minutes, pending receipt of revised minutes.

Member dinner funding.

Possibly hosting national meet.

Attendance 1-10-24

Chris Timber

Glen T

Dave McConnell

Ed Allmond

John D

Lynda B-J

Wm. Traver

Al Patnode

Ted Sweet

Tony D'Amelio

Tom Proulx

Diane Proulx